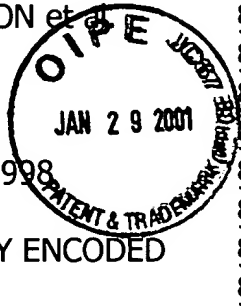


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**SECOND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 25, 2000**

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 25, 2000, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, line 10: please replace "movie" with -moving--.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 9, 13 - 15, and 22, without prejudice.

Please amend the following claims:

- 1 1. (AMENDED) A method to combine diversely encoded audio data streams,  
2 comprising:  
3 receiving a first audio data stream in a first perceptually based format;  
4 decoding the first audio data stream into a [raw] linear pulse code  
5 modulated format;  
6 obtaining a second audio data stream in a [the] raw format; and

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